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Atty. Dkt. No. 083847-0109**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Chad A. MIRKIN et al.  
Title: METHODS UTILIZING SCANNING PROBE MICROSCOPE TIPS  
AND PRODUCTS THEREOF OR PRODUCED THEREBY  
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**REMOVAL OF ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.27 (c)(1), Applicants hereby request removal of small entity status pursuant to §1.27(g) (2) in the above-identified application. Fees paid presently and henceforth will be paid based on large entity status.

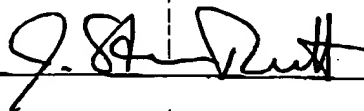
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